

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of the State Treasurer & Receiver General  
Go Green & Save Green  
**OFFICIAL RULES**

1. HOW TO ENTER

- a. These rules govern the Go Green & Save Green Contest ("Contest") being conducted by the **Massachusetts State Treasurer's Office** beginning on Feb 7, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time ("ET") and ending on April 30, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. ET.
- b. To participate in the Contest, schools should return their application to the Treasury via one of the following method(s):
  - (1) **By Email:** Entrants may return their application to Sheila O'Loughlin, Financial Education Coordinator, at [soloughlin@tre.state.ma.us](mailto:soloughlin@tre.state.ma.us)
  - (2) **By Mail:** Entrants may return their application by mail to –  
  
Sheila O'Loughlin  
Financial Education Coordinator  
Office of the State Treasurer  
State House, Room 227  
Boston, MA 02133
  - (3) **By Fax:** Attn: Sheila O'Loughlin, Financial Education Coordinator, at (617) 248-0372
- c. With respect to the Contest, there is a limit one (1) entry per elementary school. Please note that for purposes of the separate essay component of the Go Green & Save Green Project, there is no limit to the number of students at each school who may participate and each student may submit responses to one (1) or both essay questions. More information concerning the Essay Contest can be found in the *Go Green to Save Green Essay Contest – Official Contest Rules*.

2. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- a. The Contest is open to all elementary schools in Massachusetts, both public and private, that have a designated adult who will serve as the contest advisor. For the purpose of this Contest, including the essay component, an elementary school is defined as a school with grades beginning with kindergarten and may reach up to eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) grade. This Promotion is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations and is void where prohibited.
- b. Entrants are required to provide monthly updates of their savings balance to the Financial Education Division of the Treasury. This information is required to be truthful information regarding their savings balance accrued as a result of depositing funds earned by way of the given school's bottle and can drive. You should fax or e-mail these updates to the attention of **Sheila O'Loughlin**, whose contact information is listed above.

- c. If your school already has a *Go Green and Save Green*-type program in place, you are still encouraged to participate. Such schools may build off their existing programs, but must still comply with all rules and regulations stated herein. Additionally, in connection with the money each such school saves, the Treasury shall only consider the balance of funds raised during the stated period of the Contest.
- d. Each school needs a contest advisor to serve as the advisor and main contact with the Treasury. This person can be a teacher, staff member or PTO/PTA member. Responsibilities include:
  - Setting up a location within the school where any bottles/cans normally generated by teachers/staff/students can be turned in for recycling (i.e. what they would normally bring to school, no inappropriate beverages to be brought to schools).
  - Organizing drives at a local return center (this is where parents/community members are welcome to return any and all types of bottles/cans to help the contest).
  - Work with a local banking institution to open or use a current school wide savings account and track the deposits accumulated as a result of depositing funds earned by way of the given school's recycle drive.
  - Distributing the essay contest questions to teachers throughout the school, collecting any essay submissions and then returning those completed essays to the Treasury via mail.
  - Ensuring that the school is abiding by the rules and regulations of the contest.

### 3. PRIZES

- a. All participating elementary schools may select one (1) teacher/staff member and one (1) student (either the essay winner, if there is an essay winner at the school, or the most involved student as chosen by the contest advisor) to attend the National Financial Capability Recognition Ceremony in June 2012 at the State House in Boston.
- b. The winning elementary school (the school with the most funds raised by the recycling drive) shall receive a grand prize of a banner commemorating their achievement at the National Financial Capability Recognition Ceremony.
- c. The banner will be delivered to the winning elementary school by a Treasury staff member.

Prizes are expressly limited to the item(s) listed above and unless otherwise expressly specified, do not include taxes, gratuities or any other expenses. Other restrictions may apply.

### 4. WINNER SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION

- a. Decisions of the Financial Education Division staff shall be final.

- b. The winning elementary school will be selected based on the final balance in their savings account as of April 30, 2012, raised in accordance with the purpose and rules of this Contest. The winning elementary school as well as the individual winners of the essay competition (who need not be students at the winning school) will be notified by email and telephone. With respect to this group component of the Contest only, if a winner cannot be reached after seven (7) days, or fails to respond in the time and manner required, or if that winner is unavailable to receive the associated recognition, an alternate winner will be selected according to the standings from all remaining eligible registrants, time permitting.
- c. If a potential winner cannot be contacted, fails to sign and return the required affidavit of eligibility and/ or liability publicity release within the required time period, or if a prize or prize notification is returned as undeliverable, potential winner forfeits prize.

## 5. CONDITIONS

- a. By participating in the contest, the winning school agrees to have the school's name used in any advertising or broadcasting material relating to the Contest without additional financial or other compensation, and, where legal, to sign a publicity release confirming such consent prior to acceptance of the prize.
- b. The Treasury, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to disqualify any person tampering with the entry process or misreporting savings account balances. Failure to comply with the rules of the Contest may result in an entrant's disqualification and/or forfeiture of any prize or prizes.
- c. The Treasury reserves the right to make changes in the rules of the Contest at any time, including, without limitation, the substitution of a prize of equivalent value, which will become effective upon announcement. If due to circumstances beyond the control of the Treasury, any competition or prize-related event or travel is delayed, rescheduled, postponed or cancelled, the Treasury reserves the right, but not the obligation, to cancel or modify the Contest and shall not be required to award a substitute prize.
- d. The Treasury is not responsible for typographical or other errors in the printing, the offering or the administration of the Contest or in the announcement of a prize.

## 6. PRIVACY/CONFIDENTIALITY

The Treasury shall hold in confidence and not disclose to any third party, either directly or indirectly, any information that is supplied hereunder and is not publicly available, except where such disclosure is appropriate in order to protect its respective rights in the event of a default or breach by the other party; or is otherwise required by law. The confidentiality obligations shall survive the term of the Contest. The provisions of this paragraph will only be applicable to the extent the Massachusetts Public Records Law permits and any disclosure by the

Treasury pursuant to the Massachusetts Public Records Law shall not be considered a default by the State Treasury or subject the State Treasury to liability of any kind. The State Treasury shall have sole discretion as whether disclosing any information received in connection with the Contest is required under the Massachusetts Public Records Law.

***NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT OF ANY KIND IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN.***

***As the contest advisor, I agree to comply with all the above stated rules and regulations for the contest.***

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***Contest Advisor Name (Printed)***

***Signature***

***Date***